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TELEVISION INTERVIEW

FOLLOWING ARE PROPOSED QUESTIONS FOR ITALIAN TV (RAI)

INTERVIEW:

1. PRESIDENT JIMMY CARTER TODAY PROBABLY DISPOSES OF MORE POWER THAN ANY OTHER MAN ON EARTH. HOW DOES IT FEEL TO BE THE MOTHER OF SUCH A MAN? HOW DO YOU PASS YOUR DAYS? WHAT IS YOUR LIFE LIKE?

2. WHAT SORT OF INFLUENCE DO YOU BELIEVE YOU HAVE HAD ON THE PRESIDENT, ON HIS BELIEFS AND ON HIS POLICIES?

3. AS PRESIDENT OF THE MOST POWERFUL NATION ON EARTH, JIMMY CARTER MUST COPE WITH ENORMOUS PRESSURES AND RESPONSIBILITIES. HE HAS MANY EXPERT ADVISERS, BUT, IN THE END, HE MUST DEAL WITH THESE PRESSURES ALONE. TO WHOM DOES HE TURN IN HIS MOST DIFFICULT MOMENTS, WHO ARE HIS MOST INTIMATE COUNSELLORS IN A CRISIS?

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4. YOU HAVE MANY GRANDCHILDREN AND, IF I AM NOT MISTAKEN, ALSO A GREAT GRANDCHILD. WHAT ARE YOUR IDEAS ABOUT THE EDUCATION OF YOUNG PEOPLE?

5. (THE LAST QUESTION IS MEANT TO BE HUMOROUS, TO CLOSE INTERVIEW ON LIGHTER NOTE.) IT IS THE TIME OF THE FLOOD

AND YOU MAY TAKE THREE PERSONS WITH YOU ON NOAH'S ARK.
WHOM WOULD YOU TAKE? SHIRLEY

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